Adversary Case Opening

STEP 1 Click the <u>Adversary</u> hyperlink on the CM/ECF Main Menu bar. (See Figure 1)



Figure 1

STEP 2 The ADVERSARY EVENTS screen displays. (See Figure 2)

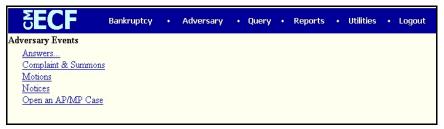


Figure 2

Click the **Open an AP/MP Case** hyperlink.

STEP 3 The CASE DATA screen displays. (See Figure 3)

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Date Filed 2/14/2	2002										
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Complaint y]										
Next Clear											

Figure 3

The case number will be generated later in this process.

Select the **Office** from the pick list by clicking on the ▼ arrow and highlighting your selection.

The current date is displayed next to **Date Filed**.

The **Case Type** values are ap for adversary proceeding and mp for miscellaneous proceeding. **No action is necessary.**

The Complaint field signifies the lead event for this proceeding. If you are filing something other than a complaint such as a Notice of Removal, select **(n)** to change the Y to N.

Click on the [Next] button.

STEP 4 The SEARCH FOR A PARTY screen appears. (See Figure 4)

ECF	Bankruptcy	•	Adversary	•	Query	•	Reports	•	Utilities	•	Logout
Open Adversary/MP Case											
Search for a party											
SSN			Tax Id								
Last/Business name	Financial										
Search Clear											
End party selection											

Figure 4

Enter the SSN or Tax ID of the plaintiff.

Enter the plaintiff's last name or, for a business, enter the entire name in the Last/Business name field.

Click on the [Search] button.

STEP 5 The PARTY SEARCH RESULTS screen appears. (See Figure 5)

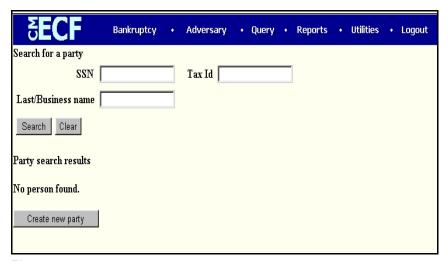


Figure 5

Since this party is new to the court's database, click on [Create New Party].

STEP 6 The PARTY INFORMATION screen appears. (See Figure 6)

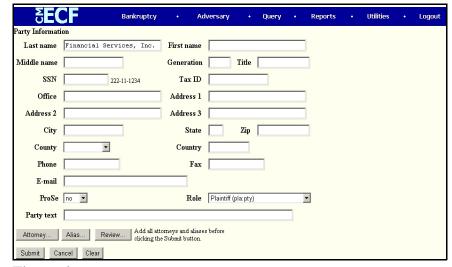


Figure 6

Enter the plaintiff's Name

Expand the Role Type selection pick list by clicking on the down arrow ▼ and select [Plaintiff].

NOTE: Do not add address information for parties. Noticing will be through the attorneys.

The **Party Text** field is used for further party description, such as A California Corporation or Trustee for the Estate of....

When this screen is correct, click [Attorney]. You must add yourself for your client.

STEP 7 The ATTORNEY SEARCH screen displays. (See Figure 7)



Figure 7

Enter your **Bar ID** number or search by **Last name**.

Click on the [Search] button.

STEP 8 The ATTORNEY SEARCH RESULT screen displays. (See Figure 8)



Figure 8

Click to highlight your name and then click on [Select name from list]

STEP 9 The ATTORNEY INFORMATION screen displays. (See Figure 9)

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Zip	68102		Country	у								
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Figure 9

Verify the Attorney Information screen.

Click on the [Add attorney] button.

STEP 10 The PARTY INFORMATION screen will display again. (See Figure 10)

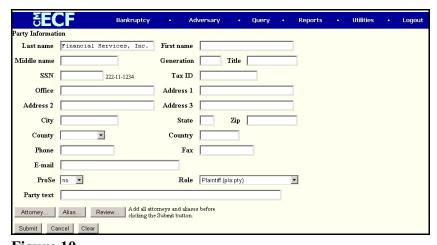


Figure 10

Verify the information and then click on the **[Submit]** button.

STEP 11 The SEARCH FOR A PARTY screen appears again. (See Figure 11)

₹ECF	Bankruptcy	•	Adversary	•	Query	•	Reports	•	Utilities	•	Logout
Open Adversary/MP Case	•										
Search for a party											
SSN	Tax	Id 🗌									
Last/Business name Taylor											
Search Clear											
End party selection											

Figure 11

*If there is more than one Plaintiff they may be added at this time.

Otherwise, enter the party information for the defendant by searching under their last name.

Click on the [Search] button.

STEP 12 The PARTY SEARCH RESULT screen displays. (See Figure 12)

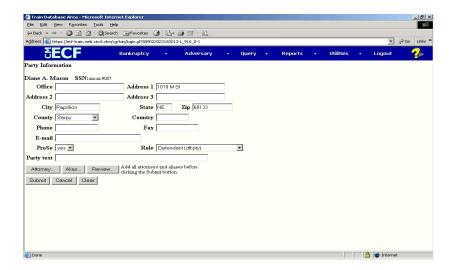


Figure 12

Click to highlight the Defendant.

Click on the [Select name from list] button.

STEP 13 The PARTY INFORMATION screen displays. (See Figure 13)



DO NOT CHANGE THE ADDRESS OR ADD AN ATTORNEY FOR THE DEFENDANT.

CHANGE PRO SE TEXT BOX TO YES

Expand the Role Type selection pick list by clicking on the down arrow ▼ and select [Defendant].

Click on the [Submit] button.

STEP 14 The SEARCH FOR A PARTY screen appears again. (See Figure 14)



Figure 14

*If there is more than one Defendant they may be added at this time.

Otherwise, if all of the parties have been added, click on the **[End Party Selection]**

STEP 15 The ADVERSARY STATISTICAL screen appears. (See Figure 15a)



Figure 15a

Unless the US is a plaintiff or defendant in your case, accept the default **US** is not a Party in the Case.

Other values are:



Select the **Nature of Suit** of the complaint from the list below. (See Figure 15b.) If there are multiple suits in an adversary, only one can be selected.

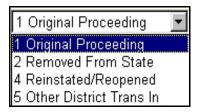


Figure 15b

NOTE: If one of the multiple suits is a 727 Objection to Discharge, it is important to enter 424 as the first NOS.

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The **Origin** code defaults to original proceeding. No action is necessary to accept the default. Other values are:



The default in the **Rule 23 (Class Action)** box is *n*. Change the default to *y* if this applies.



Demand. If there is a dollar demand, enter the **(\$000)** amount to the nearest thousand (i.e. 5,000 enter 5, leave off the 000). The default in the **Jury Demand** box is n (None)

Highlight the appropriate selection.

Verify the data on your screen and then click [Next].

STEP 16 The RELATED CASES screen displays. (See Figure 16)



Figure 16

Enter the **Lead Bankruptcy Case Number** in yy-nnnnn format, including the hyphen.

Click on the [NEXT] button.

The PDF DOCUMENT SELECTION screen displays. (See Figure 17)

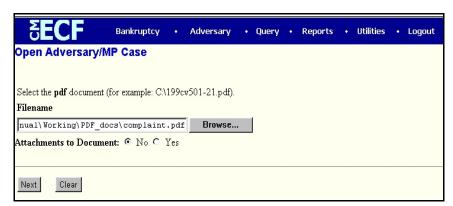


Figure 17

Click [Browse], then navigate to the directory where the PDF file is located or type in the entire drive and directory path.

To verify accuracy of the document prior to uploading, right click on the document name.

- Select open from the drop down list.
- Verify document contents.
- Click on the X in the upper right corner of the document screen.

Double-click the PDF file to select it.

Click on the [Next] button.

STEP 18 The RECEIPT screen displays. (See Figure 18)

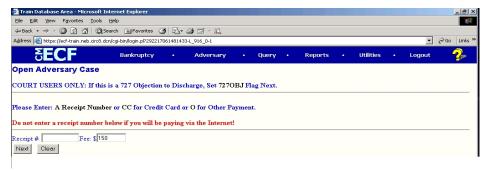


Figure 18

Read screen instructions and proceed forward.

If there is no charge for this Adversary i.e. Debtor as the Plaintiff, type in **O** for the Receipt # and **0.00** for the fee amount.

Click on the [Next] button.

STEP 19 The MODIFY TEXT screen displays. (See Figure 19)

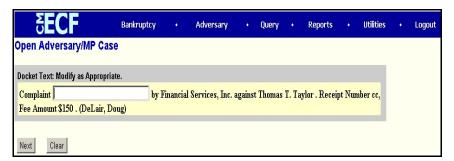


Figure 19

In the text box additional text for the motion may be added according to the courts procedures.

Click on the [Next] button.

STEP 20 The FINAL TEXT screen displays. (See Figure 20)

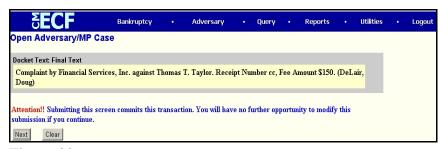


Figure 20

Verify the final docket text.

CAUTION!! This is your last opportunity to change this event. Clicking **[Next]** will submit this order to the database.

If correct, click on the [Next] button.

If the final docket text is incorrect, click on your browser's **Back** button to find the screen to be modified. To abort or restart the transaction, click on **Adversary** or any other selections on the **CM/ECF Menu Bar** b

STEP 21 The NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING screen displays.

The Notice of Electronic Filing is the verification that the filing has been sent electronically to the court's database.

To print a copy of this notice, click on the browser [Print] icon. You may also save the notice through the browser File/Save option.